



Virtual Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training

April 20th and 21st, 2021

WHAT: This two-day online workshop is being offered to produce growers. The training will cover the standardized curriculum designed by the Produce Safety Alliance, which meets the regulatory requirements of the Produce Safety Rule under FSMA (Food Safety Modernization Act). The course will provide a foundation of Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) and co-management information, FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirements, and details on how to develop a farm food safety plan. Individuals who participate in this course are expected to gain a basic understanding of:

- Requirements in the FSMA Produce Safety Rule and how to meet them successfully;
- Microorganisms relevant to produce safety and where they may be found on the farm;
- How to identify microbial risks, practices that reduce risks, and how to begin implementing produce safety practices on the farm; and
- Parts of a farm food safety plan and how to begin writing one.

WHEN: Tuesday April 20th, 2021

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EST

AND

Wednesday April 21st, 2021

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EST

*Growers will be required to be present for the entirety of training both days to receive their certificate. Attendance will be monitored by trainers. *

WHERE: This training will be completely online offered via Zoom. Please review technology requirements prior to training. We will be mailing you REQUIRED course participant materials to the address you provide when registering. These materials will be mailed one week prior to the training, so please check your post office or mailbox.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: Any produce grower who grows, packs, harvests, and/or holds covered produce, makes over \$25,000 in annual produce sales (on average, based on the past three years of sales), and does not qualify for a Produce Safety Rule exemption is *required* to attend this training under new federal regulations. *As of January 2020, grower operations with more than \$25,000 in annual sales must comply with the Produce Safety Rule.*

WHY: This PSA Grower Training Course satisfies the FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirement outlined in §112.22(c), which requires ‘*At least one supervisor or responsible party for your farm must have successfully completed food safety training at least equivalent to that received under standardized curriculum recognized as adequate by the Food and Drug Administration.*’

REGISTRATION: To register, please click on the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvf-GsqTloEt3RdnApP6cirU6GQCRaYYeq>

Registration deadline: April 12th and maximum 15 participants. Georgia residents only.

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